

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in this application.

Claims 1-28 (Canceled)

29. (Previously Presented): A method for administering salmon calcitonin to an animal in need thereof, the method comprising administering orally to the animal a composition comprising:

(a) N-(5-chlorosalicyloyl)-8-aminocaprylic acid, wherein N-(5-chlorosalicyloyl)-8-aminocaprylic acid comprises at least about 96% by weight of the disodium salt of N-(5-chlorosalicyloyl)-8-aminocaprylic acid; and

(b) salmon calcitonin.

Claims 30-61 (Canceled)

62. (Currently Amended): A pharmaceutical composition comprising (a) at least about 50% by weight of a disodium salt of N-(5-chlorosalicyloyl)-8-aminocaprylic acid, based upon 100% total weight of the ~~delivery agent~~ N-(5-chlorosalicyloyl)-8-aminocaprylic acid and salts thereof in the composition, and (b) at least one active agent selected from calcitonin, human growth hormones, recombinant human growth hormones, parathyroid hormone, and fragments of parathyroid hormone.

63. (Previously Presented): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 62, wherein the composition comprises at least about 90% by weight of the disodium salt, based upon 100% total weight of N-(5-chlorosalicyloyl)-8-aminocaprylic acid and salts thereof in the composition.

64. (Canceled)

65. (Previously Presented): The pharmaceutical composition of claim 62, wherein the active agent is calcitonin.

66. (Previously Presented): A dosage unit form comprising:

- (a) the pharmaceutical composition of claim 62; and
- (b)
 - (i) an excipient,
 - (ii) a diluent,
 - (iii) a disintegrant,
 - (iv) a lubricant,
 - (v) a plasticizer,
 - (vi) a colorant,
 - (vii) a dosing vehicle, or
 - (viii) any combination thereof.

67. (New) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 65, wherein the active agent is salmon calcitonin.

68. (New) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 62, wherein the active agent is recombinant human growth hormone.

69. (New) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 62, wherein the active agent is a fragment of parathyroid hormone.

70. (New) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 62, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is a solid.